

REMARKS

Claims 2-10, 12-13, 15-23, 25-26, 29-31, 33-34, 37-39, and 45-47 are pending, with claims 12, 22, 29, and 37 being independent. Claims 12, 22, 29, 31, 37 and 39 have been amended. No new matter has been added. Reconsideration and allowance of the above-referenced application are respectfully requested.

The withdrawal of the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112 is acknowledged and appreciated. In addition, the withdrawal of the objection to claim 16 is acknowledged and appreciated.

Claims 2-10, 12-13, 15-23, 25-26, 29-31, 33-34, 37-39, and 45-47 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Frederick Weinhaus and Venkat Devarajan with title of "Texture Mapping 3D Models of Real-World Scenes," AMC Vol. 29, No.4 1997 pp. 325-363, ("Frederick"), and further in view of Moura et al., U.S. 676,488B1 ("Moura"). These rejections are respectfully traversed.

Examiner Amini is thanked for the telephone interview conducted with Mr. Hunter on April 12, 2007. During the interview, a proposed amendment to the claims (which is now reflected in the present amendment) and the Moura reference were discussed. Agreement was reached that this amendment would overcome the current rejections and may place the application in

condition for allowance, subject to further search and consideration.

In view of the above, independent claims 12, 22, 29, and 37 should now be in condition for allowance. The dependent claims should be allowable based on their respect independent claims and the additional recitations they contain.

Conclusion

It is believed that all of the pending claims have been addressed. However, the absence of a reply to a specific issue or comment does not signify agreement with or concession of that issue or comment. Because the arguments made above may not be exhaustive, there may be reasons for patentability of any or all pending claims (or other claims) that have not been expressed. Finally, nothing in this paper should be construed as an intent to concede any issue with regard to any claim, except as specifically stated in this paper, and the amendment of any claim does not necessarily signify concession of unpatentability of the claim prior to its amendment.

It is respectfully suggested for all of these reasons, that the current rejections are overcome, that none of the cited art teaches or suggests the features which are claimed, and therefore that all of these claims should be in condition for

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allowance. A formal notice of allowance is thus respectfully requested.

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